



## Sunday Worship First In New Lutheran Church

The Greenbelt Lutheran Congregation will hold its first service of worship in the new Church building this Sunday, July 13 at 11 a.m. Mr. Birner, the vicar, will preach the sermon. Dedication services are not planned for this Sunday, but will be held in the near future. Sunday School classes will also be held in the new church, beginning at the usual time, 9:45 a.m.

The new building, located at 22 Ridge, was completed and furnished at a cost of \$35,000. W. E. Simmons was the general contractor. At present a ground-floor structure, future plans call for the addition of a second story and additional classrooms. Until such plans are completed, church services will be held in the auditorium, which seats 150 people. The auditorium may also be used as a social room. There are also four classrooms and a kitchen in the building.

Radiant heating used throughout the building helps to make the building ideal for future kindergarten and parochial school classes. Every advantage has been taken of color to make the building cheerful and yet conducive to worship.

Greenbelt Lutheran Church is a member of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. While some aid was received from the Mission Board of the Lutheran Church, much of the cost was borne by the 75 communicant members of the local congregation. Greenbelt Lutheran Church is another landmark of Christian Faith in action.

## Local Men Encamp For Summer Training

On Sunday, July 6, eight local members of Btry C 340th AAA Gun Bn (90mm), District of Columbia National Guard, begin summer encampment at Bethany Beach, Delaware.

The men will undergo a rigorous two-week training period which will include anti-aircraft artillery fire at towed targets, detailed training in the use of small weapons, infantry maneuvers, and overnight bivouacs. After duty hours there will be numerous recreational activities including softball, volleyball, daily swimming in the Atlantic Ocean, deep-sea fishing, and numerous trips to the nearby resort centers.

Local residents attending this encampment are: 2/Lt. Paul E. Runnion, Radar Officer; M/Sgt. Harold W. Buchmoyer, Towed Target Advisor; SFC. Dix C. Boone, Supply Sgt.; Sgt. Harold Hammersla, Mess Steward; Sgt. Jack McCollum, Chief of Director Section; Sgt. James H. Williams, Gun Commander; Sgt. Paul Williams, Motor Sgt.; and Private Allen Carneal, Cannoneer (when not on Kitchen Police).

The men cordially invite all Greenbelt residents who are in the vicinity of Ocean City, Maryland or Rehoboth Beach, Delaware to drop in and see them at the Bethany Beach encampment during the period July 6-20 inclusive.

### Methodist Picnic

On Saturday, July 12 the Mowatt Methodist Church School picnic will be held at the lake. According to committee chairman James Boyer, plans have been completed for a full program starting at 3 p.m. There will be games, contests, treats and refreshments for all age groups. Those desiring transportation should contact Mr. Donaldson, phone 4728.

## 4th Celebration Nets, Fun For All

By L. A. Lee

The Fourth of July celebration held at the lake under the sponsorship of the Greenbelt Boys Club was reported a success, despite intermittent showers. Those who attended enjoyed a full day of fun, climaxed by a display of fireworks after dark. The Club realized enough funds from the affair to take care of all its summer activities.

The Boys Club officers wish "to thank all Greenbelters who supported their efforts to give the city a safe, sane and enjoyable Fourth." They feel this year's celebration was an improvement on the 1951 affair, and have already begun planning a bigger and better one next year.

The day began with a parade which left the center shortly after 10 a.m. and proceeded to the lake area. Awards given to participants included: best-appearing fire equipment, Landover Hills; fire company from furthest distance, Elkridge, Md.; oldest piece of fire equipment, Berwyn Heights (1927); best-appearing ambulance, Beltsville; largest ladies auxiliary, Beltsville; best-appearing commercial float, Greenbelt Consumer Services; best-appearing youth division float, Drop Inn; special award for civic groups, the city's trash collection department. The best horse-drawn float was the Cipriano wagon, which made its annual appearance complete with king-size American flag near the head of the procession. Most appropriate costume was that worn by Susan Boggs, representing the Statue of Liberty.

A giant track-meet was held at the lake, open to all ages from 2 years up. A mammoth bingo game was in operation practically all day, with numbers of prizes available. Pony rides and many other concessions were patronized by those attending.

By nine o'clock Friday evening, a line of cars stretched from St. Hugh's church far up the Beltsville road, and between four and five thousand people, in family groups, couples, and friendly gatherings assembled at the lakefront to view a fireworks display which might well make Greenbelt history. Under the direction of Pappy Sines, the pyrotechnics with their color and sound drew applause and vocal appreciation from the crowd. The city bus was plying a steady business from Parkway to the lake, giving free rides to footsore hikers who had to park out of walking distance. Several of the first rockets set off in the display arched into the lake, as the rain had dampened the smaller mortar arranged to fire them and a larger mortar had to be used, for which the powder charge was not sufficient. The bright lights reflected in the surface of the water were doubly effective, and one of the large rockets with terminal spinners caromed off the lake as if large golden fish were leaping from the water.

The full moon was obscured by a convenient cloud which furnished a dark background for the brilliant colors of the skyworks, as well as for the multicolored pinwheels and fountain displays set off on the far shore.

### ANNOUNCEMENT

Rev. E. E. Pieplow, pastor of the Mt. Rainier-Hyattsville-Greenbelt parish, has accepted a call to Christ Lutheran Church, Detroit, Michigan. He will leave the area early in August to take up his new duties.

### WHAT GOES ON

Friday, July 11 - GCS board meeting, 8:30 p.m., community room of Takoma super-drug store. Girls' softball double-header, Braden Field, 7 p.m. Saturday, July 12 - Mowatt Memorial Methodist church school picnic, at lake 3 p.m. Sunday, July 13 - First service in new Lutheran church building, 11 a.m., 22 Ridge. Monday, July 14 - GCS store operations committee, 8 p.m. GCS office. Monday, Wednesday, Friday, July 14, 16, 18 - Community band performs, 8 p.m. at Center. All week long, July 14-19, Greenbelt Band and Majorettes bazaar at Center.

## Kids Said To Cavort In Off-Limits House

A group of Greenbelt teen-agers are using an old abandoned building on Old Baltimore Road for nightly parties, the *Cooperator* learned this week from the mother of one of the children involved. The gatherings are attended by boys and girls and have been taking place for at least a month. According to the mother, a young boy suffered a serious injury Monday night after being kicked in the spine by a companion during one of the parties.

According to one of the youngsters, the building has been "rented" to the children for the parties by an official of the Agriculture Department, upon whose property the building is situated. The three-story brick structure was used long ago by the city of Washington as a detention home for delinquent children. It is located about three miles north of the entrance to the Beltsville Experimental Farm, and is referred to as the "haunted house" by the youngsters. It once housed the officers of a Civilian Conservation Corps camp located nearby.

It is now slated for demolition in the near future.

Local boys have initiated playmates in the house by frightening them with pranks and mischief. The building is in bad disrepair and considered dangerous, according to the *Cooperator* source. The mother also stated that it is her belief that the majority of the teen-agers involved come from Hollywood, Berwyn, and other near-by communities. Although she believes nothing "serious" has taken place at the parties, it is a source of "potentially dangerous" incidents, unless local parents are advised of the situation.

City officials admit knowing nothing about the situation and declare the building is out of local jurisdiction. However, they intend working with county authorities immediately to investigate the house and its occupants' activities.

## Pack 229 Enjoys Indian Pow-wow

Cub Scout Pack 229 conducted a colorful meeting Friday night in back of the hospitable Community Church when all boys arrived in Indian attire. Each den presented an appropriate skit, grouped in pow-wow fashion around a real campfire.

Scout troop leader Frederick Hale Birdseye congratulated two boys graduating into Scouts. They are Edward Moody, 5-F Eastway, and Brent Barker, 1-A Crescent Road. Mr. Birdseye stated that on a hike planned for the Appalachian trail later this month, Brent would accompany the group.

Mrs. George S. Edmunds, 27-A Ridge Road is the new Den Mother for Den 2.

## Special Meeting Voted For July 29; Beckham Resigns From GVHC Board

By Carolyn Miller

Termination of membership in Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation of those who refuse to purchase a Greenbelt unit was voted by the housing board last Monday night.

In addition, July 29 was established as the date for the special membership meeting petitioned for last week, and the resignation of John Beckham from the board was reported.

### Recreation Schedule

Swimming Registration for August Classes (first come first served basis) July 21 - 9 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Model Club - There is room for more boys in this club. The club meets on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. until noon at the Center School Kitchen. Registration fee is \$1.00 and 25c per week dues. This money is used to buy equipment. The club is organized and has its own officers. Archery - meets Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. until noon at Braden Field. Tennis - Starts Monday July 14. Will meet Monday and Wednesday from 9 a.m. until noon at the Tennis Courts. Children must provide own equipment. Tumbling - Starts Monday, July 14. Will meet at the Center School on Monday and Wednesdays from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. Mixed Softball Teams - Registration will be held on Braden Field on July 16. All teenagers of Drop-Inn age are eligible. Time - 2 p.m. Horseshoe Tournament - Open to Drop-Inn members of Greenbelt only. May register at Drop-Inn anytime, as the more we have the better the tournament. Four (4) horseshoe pits have been constructed.

## Distaff Riflers Win Top Honors

For the first time in the history of the Maryland Rifle League, the top two places were won by members of the fair sex in a match on June 15. The gold medal was won by Mrs. Mildred Kern, Greenbelt, who became the second woman to hold three league titles in 5 years of league activity. Mrs. Mary Richard, G. P. O. Club, placed second in the match with a 398-20X score. Only three men have hit the winners' column three times.

Mrs. Kern won her first match in 1947 and repeated in 1951. In the June 15 match, she fired a 399-29X out of a possible 400 at the difficult international 50 meter target.

On July 6, four possible scores were fired in 40 shots at the 50-yard match. Three of the four were Greenbelt riflers: Jerry Prange, 400-30X's; Freeman Morgan, 400-27X's; Dean May, Terrapins, 400-23X's; Mrs. Mildred Kern, 400-16X's. Mrs. Ruth Morgan, Greenbelt, fired a 399 which made Greenbelt high team with a score of 1599 out of a possible 1600.

## Band Bazaar Coming Soon

The Greenbelt Community Band and majorettes will hold their annual bazaar during the week of July 14-19. The Band plans to buy new instruments, and uniforms for the majorettes. The bazaar will be manned by parents of band members and majorettes. All parents are asked to come forward and contribute their share toward the operation of the booths. It is planned to have children's rides, pony rides, bingo and other concessions. The band will perform Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights at 8 p.m.

### \$11 Members

Members who have paid in only their \$11 membership fee will receive a letter from GVHC requesting a deposit of \$100 on a unit within five days. If the member declines, his membership will be terminated. The covering motion, presented by president Mike Salzman, was passed by a vote of four to three.

In this manner the board has resolved the problem of participation in membership meetings by residents who long ago paid in membership fees, but who do not wish to buy in Greenbelt under the GVHC plan. Board member Thomas Ritchie claimed Monday that a group of "eleven-dollar members" are the ones who are trying to wreck the organization. Ritchie's remark points up the board's previous reluctance to bring problems to a membership composed of participating and non-participating members alike.

On vice-president Al Long's motion, the motion of termination was amended to include a clause in the preliminary contract with Public Housing Administration making the terms of the preliminary contract contingent on approval by the "100 members." The amendment passed by a vote of 6 to 1, Ritchie opposed.

### Non-Resident Membership

A second amendment was adopted on motion of Elliot Bukzin granting membership to non-resident applicants subject to credit and character clearance. The motion was adopted by a vote of 6 to 1, Bernard Bordenet opposed. Approval of this group for membership gives them the right to vote at the special meeting July 29.

### Special Meeting Agenda

The special meeting will include the matters embodied in the petition which was reported in full in last week's *Cooperator*. In brief, these items are a by-law amendment giving members the right to inspect and copy names on the GVHC membership list; protection of members' investment from possible jeopardy if the undeveloped land is purchased; a requirement that 90% of the units be sold prior to consummation of sale; and a requirement that rentals on the remaining 10% be high enough to cover costs.

In addition, the board Monday night agreed to add two more items to the agenda: the first to cover any points pertaining to the contract which the attorneys may recommend for membership action; the second, approval of the terms of the preliminary contract to purchase in the event it is signed prior to the 29th.

Secretary Bruce Bowman reported that John Beckham had resigned from the board "due to the pressure of his personal business". It was decided to consider the replacement at a future board meeting. Board member Ed Burgoon was absent from the meeting as he is out-of-town on vacation.

Parents and others who wish to offer help should contact Mack Walden at 3156, James Flynn at 3291, Siegfried Pels at 5086, or C. J. Van Camp at 4102. The local American Legion post has consented to operate the bingo equipment.

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## Letters To Editor

### Saucer Swim

During the nine years we have lived here, it has often come to mind that one of the potentially great recreational assets of Greenbelt was being entirely overlooked. Then it happened that the "bottomless, treacherous, horrible" body of water called the Greenbelt Lake was drained; and in its place was an overgrown saucer filled with beer cans and bottles. No wonder it was dangerous, it was polluted; and the Izaak Walton league now had discovered why fish could not live in it—too much beer!

Now that this saucer of water has been made fit for fish, flipping, flopping, and frolicking to frying pans, why is it that the residents of Greenbelt cannot frish, frolic, and flop out of the frying heat into the saucer of water that was "bottomless." After all, our swimming pool has been completely turned over to "outsiders"; we even furnish a bus to go get them. The price was reduced so they could enjoy the privileges as cheaply as the home folks. Now, if we are so charitable, why don't we haul in a few truckloads of sand at one corner of our saucer of water, rope off the area, put a life guard in a boat and one or two on the beach, charge admittance enough to cover the cost, and invite the whole county out here. Then maybe, with two sources of water, those who like to swim can use the pool and get something out of it; and those who wish only to sunbathe and wade in the water would enjoy the "saucer."

Before we leave the subject, why not have a boathouse at another part of the saucer of water and rent canoes or boats? Of course, we would need adequate facilities to lock them up when not in use, as it is understood we have vandalism rampant hereabouts.

With adequate charges for both facilities, perhaps we could afford proper supervision of the area to keep it clean.

Are there others in Greenbelt willing to back such an undertaking as cleaning up our "saucer of water"?

Tom White  
 11-A Ridge Road

### Free Pix for Pixies

Free photographs of children up to 7 years old will be taken in the tobacco store between 1 and 6 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. There is no charge or obligation involved. Mothers bringing their children in to be photographed will be given both the negative and 5x7 enlargement. This good-will promotion campaign is jointly sponsored by the tobacco store and Hick's photo finishers, who handle all the processing of films left for developing at the store.

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Eric T. Braund, Minister  
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Saturday, July 12 - Landscape Bee. Sunday, July 13 - Services at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sermon by Mr. Braund "Beyond Personality", the first of a series of sermons on "Personal Religion." Sunday School Hours: 9 a.m. Nursery and Primary; 9:50, Juniors through Adults; 11 a.m., Nursery and Beginners. 8 p.m., Board of Deacons meeting in the church. Thursday, July 24 - Old Fashioned Ice-Cream Social on church lawn.

## MOWATT MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

C. R. Strausburg, Minister  
 Telephone 4987

Session of the Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Richard Hoffman, Superintendent. Classes for all ages. Worship and sermon by the Pastor 11 a.m. Sermon topic: THE ABUNDANT LIFE. Saturday, July 12 at Greenbelt Lake, Sunday School Picnic. Members and friends of the Church are invited to attend. Wednesday, July 16 - Monthly meeting of the official board at 8:30 p.m. At the Church.

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## GREENBELT LUTHERAN CHURCH

Edward H. Birner, Vicar  
 Telephone 3703

Sunday, July 13 - 9:45 a.m., Sunday School and adult Bible Class. Classes are held for all ages. Raymond Carrier, Superintendent. 11 a.m., Church Service. Mr. Birner will preach. This will be the first service held in the new Lutheran Church, located at 22 Ridge. Visitors are welcome to this service. Nursery room will be under the supervision of Mrs. Fliegel and Helen Cline.

Dr. Hans Wodak has opened new offices for the general practice of medicine at 30-C Ridge Road in Greenbelt.

## District Girl Scouts Elect New Officers

The final district meeting of the Greenbelt Girl Scout leaders was held at the home of the chairman, Ruth Bowman. First order of business was election of officers for the 1952-53 term. New officers are Adelaide Weidberg, district chairman; Rae Algaze, secretary-treasurer; Louise Moore, organization chairman; Vera Weber, program chairman; Mary Jane Zust, publicity chairman.

Mrs. Weidberg, as new chairman, presided over the rest of the meeting. She stressed the fact that troop leaders will be needed in the fall to provide troops for the constantly-increasing number of girls who wish to join the Scouts. Training course will be held in the fall for women who are interested in Girl Scout work. Additional information may be obtained by calling Mrs. Weidberg at 2802.

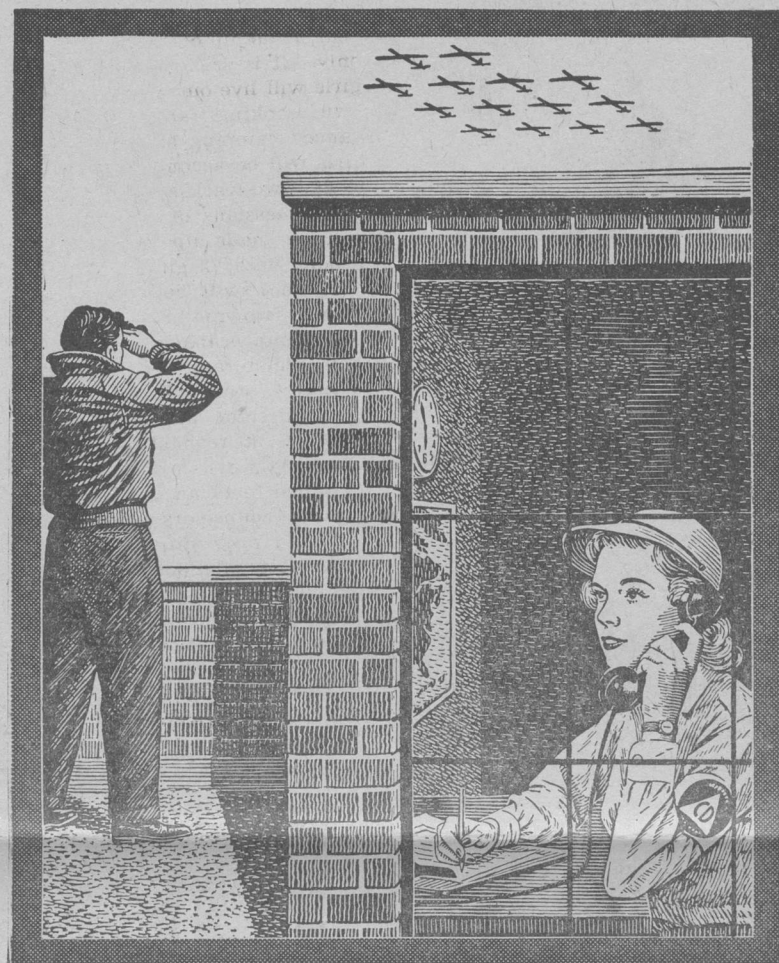
Mrs. Moore, organization chairman, may be reached at 5902 by anyone wishing to register a new Girl Scout.

## Charles W. Kinzer

Charles W. Kinzer, 6-G Ridge, died suddenly of a heart attack in New York on Friday, July 4, 1952, at the age of 51. He is survived by his wife, Mary Jane Kinzer, a member of the local housing staff, and a son, Charles W., Jr. Mr. Kinzer was a managerial and administrative consultant in New York City. The funeral was held in Roanoke, Virginia, where the family formerly lived, Monday, July 7.

## GCS OBSERVATION

The store operations and price policy committee of Greenbelt Consumer Services will meet Monday, July 14, at 8 p.m. in the office above the drugstore. Morris Solomon, chairman of the committee, has listed on the agenda a report from the suggestion-system subcommittee, Takoma and Greenbelt; a drug advertising policy discussion; and other proposed matters relating to the work of the committee.



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**Misty Mount Opens For 5-Week Season**

Camp Misty Mount, established camp for Prince Georges County Girl Scouts, in the Cacocin Mountains above Thurmont, will open July 17 and continue for five weeks, closing August 21. Miss Harriett Vernon, of Baltimore, will be the director.

With a record registration of 227, which is 72 more than the camp has ever accommodated before due to the extra week this year, there is still a long list of applicants who will be unable to go. Girl Scout work in Prince Georges county has far outgrown the camp facilities, and council members are agreed that another camp must be found soon or it will be necessary to turn down more applicants than the number that can be accepted. A strict policy of registering campers in the order of application has been adhered to, with the waiting list growing each year.

A new camp unit is included this year, made up of Senior Girl Scouts only. It is a Pioneer unit, and the girls will live out of doors, do their own cooking, and work at advanced camping skills. Only eight girls will be accommodated in each of the two-week sessions.

Two sessions of two weeks each will be made up of Intermediate Scouts, with 72 girls in each. The fifth week will be devoted to the young Brownie Scouts, with 72, the camp capacity exclusive of staff, registered.

On the staff will be the water-front director and swimming instructors, a registered nurse with a doctor on call, a crafts instructor, a trained dietitian, a cook with assistants, counselors for each camp unit, and program aides.

A Hyattsville business firm, the Lustine-Nicholson automobile company, has removed one of this year's major difficulties by donating a car for use during the entire camp period. A car on the premises is a camp requirement and this year no member of the staff had one to make available.

**Dollars and Sense**

Do You Buy a Toothbrush With a Gimmick?

The well-known American faculty for gimmicks sometimes goes astray. Take the toothbrush as an example. A good toothbrush should have the following features: 1. a flat brushing surface, 2. firm bristles, 3. a head sufficiently small to permit access to all surfaces of the teeth. You can get such a toothbrush (Co-op) for 25 cents.

That would be too simple. Instead you get brushes with weird handles that somehow are supposed to help you do a better job. The truth of the matter is that the simple-looking brush will do the best job.

Sale of Greenbelt and the family budget

For most families in Greenbelt the coming year will require a higher rent expenditure. In many cases adjustments in family expenditures will be necessary. This need not cause a gnashing of teeth or undue hardship in most cases. A sure way of becoming unhappy about such required changes is to feel that your present expenditures are rock bottom. The sensible way to operate is to list expected expenditures in some order of priority and then cut down on those items which are least desired until you know you will have something left over. At no point are all expenditures of the same urgency. It is up to each family to decide which are most urgent for them.

Rare is the family that can safely avoid insurance, hospitalization and surgical insurance, or some other form of medical protection such as Group Health.

This generous offer, indicating a real interest in seeing the Girl Scout program progress in the county, is deeply appreciated by the camp committee, of which Mrs. Donald Crooks, of College Park, is the chairman.

**Lions Club**

The Greenbelt Lions Club has started the preliminary planning for what promises to be the biggest and most ambitious Town Fair in Greenbelt's history. To be combined with the city's fifteenth anniversary celebration, the fair will take place over the three-day Labor Day weekend, August 30, 31, and September 1. Among the activities planned for the three-day affair will be amusement of all kinds, raffles, speakers, athletic events, prizes, concerts, boxing shows, swimming shows, bathing beauty contest, booths, etc.

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Boy's Club Activities

By Lee

The Greenbelt Boys Club team has come through with another County Championship. The boys journeyed over to the University of Maryland last week and walked away with the Prince Georges County Boys Clubs Track and Field Meet. The boys scored a total of 115 points; nearest competitor was Edmonston with 76, and Mt. Rainier had 53. Individual high-point winners for the Midgets were Dick Rock, first in 50-yd. dash, 60-yd. dash and high-jump. The Midgets also won the 120-yd. relay with David McDonald, Ed Mangold, Bill Andrusic and Dick Rock. David McDonald was also second in the softball throw and Ed Mangold third in the standing broad jump. High point-winners for the Juniors were: Mike Cockill, first in the 80-yd. dash, first in the running broad jump. Charley Thompson second in the 80-yd. dash and second in the running broad jump. The juniors also won the 320-yd. relay with Jim Strippling, John Bonner, Mike Cockill and Charley Thompson. John Bonner also placed second in the high jump. High point scorers in the Intermediates were: Dick Schoeb in the high jump (he cleared the bar at 4 feet 11 inches and hadn't missed), Fred Schrom took second in the 60-yd. dash. The Intermediate relay team took second in the 220-yd. relay with Fred Schrom, Jim McDonald, Mike Canning and Fred Comings. In the Juniors 160-yd. dash, Bill Higgins took second. High-pointers for the Seniors were: Richard Stevens, who took first in the softball throw; Alan Gerstel, first in the standing broad jump; Bruce MacEwan, first in the high jump; Jim Denevan, second in the running broad jump and the 220-yd. dash. The Seniors also won the 440-yd. relay with Richard Stevens, Gene Poole, Bruce MacEwan and Bill Higgins. The boys really did a fine job over there, this being the second year in a row they have come off with the championship in the Track and Field events.

Midgets Beat Landover

Baseball was not so good this past week as most games were postponed due to rain or wet grounds; however, the Midgets have one excellent game to report. Last Saturday they met and defeated Landover (who won the first half in their section) in a good game by the score of 3 to 0. Brown for Greenbelt pitched a no-hitter and did an excellent job. The Juniors (Orioles) took on the Boys Clubs of America Junior champs of last season, the Western Branch Boys Club of Washington, last Wednesday and defeated them 4 to 2. This is the third time these two have met and the Greenbelt boys have come out on top twice. Monday evening their game was rained out and Tuesday evening

Home Rule, Deadline Three Weeks Hence

Local members of the League of Women Voters have joined with the Citizens Committee for Good Government (CCGG) to carry through a campaign in favor of home rule for Prince Georges County, the only suburban political unit near the District of Columbia not yet converted to this form of government.

The first step was the acquisition of 10,000 signatures of registered county voters on the Charter Petition in that ought to have been, according to League information, a 'long haul.' The situation, however, will reach a premature climax July 28 when petitions carrying two thousand signatures for each of 5 Charter Board members will have to be completed. Although state law allows until September for this phase of activity, an unheralded amendment passed by the legislature early this year, sliced off two months of the preparatory period. Local "women voters" learned of the change inadvertently last week.

This November 5 county citizens will be elected to the Charter Board to draw up—without pay—a description of a local government empowered to make laws, implemented by a charter. After six months of deliberation the Board must present its proposals to the

County Commissioners for local publication. From then until November 1954, when a majority of Prince Georges County voters will decide the issue, public debate will continue. This execution of the "democratic process" is the crux of the Leagues' campaign.

Supporters of home rule itself point to the disadvantages of state legislation on local issues, by representatives at Annapolis in infrequent sessions, while facing heavy schedules on state matters. Prince Georges residents have long been familiar with overcrowded schools, high teacher turnover, inadequate public health and recreation coverage, while an over 2-million dollar surplus "gathers cobwebs" in assorted banks. Under properly constituted home rule it is expected that these deficiencies would be dealt with. On the November 1952 ballot the question will appear as "FOR or AGAINST a Charter Board."

The issue has a special significance for Greenbelt voters, who have been seriously examining their high tax rate. Under county home rule and the concomitant expansion of county services, Greenbelt might well eliminate much of the controversial "public weal" which has been weighting the budget.

Meanwhile, petitions will be available at the super-market TOMORROW, July 11, for further signatures. The League invites public-minded volunteers to call Mrs. Jane Hunt, 6936; or Mrs. Alice E. Fusilli, 4156.

CIVIL SERVICE

The United States Civil Service Commission announces an open competitive examination for the position of Substitute Clerk Carrier for filling vacancies in the Post Office at Greenbelt, Maryland. The usual entrance salary of this position is \$1.61½ per hour.

Applications for this position will be accepted by the Director, ourth U. S. Civil Service Region, Temporary Building "R", 3rd and Jefferson Drive, S.W., Washington 25, D. C., until further notice.

Competitors will be required to report for written examination, which will be held as soon as practicable after the date set for the close of receipt of applications. Full information and application blank may be obtained from George M. Eshbaugh, at the Greenbelt Post Office.

they won on a forfeit from Berwyn when the latter didn't show up for the game. Nothing on the Intermediates or Seniors. Se you next week.

The Orioles (Juniors) defeated Beltsville Juniors last Thursday in a county league game by a close one, 5 to 4. Bonner pitched for the Orioles and Breen for Beltsville.



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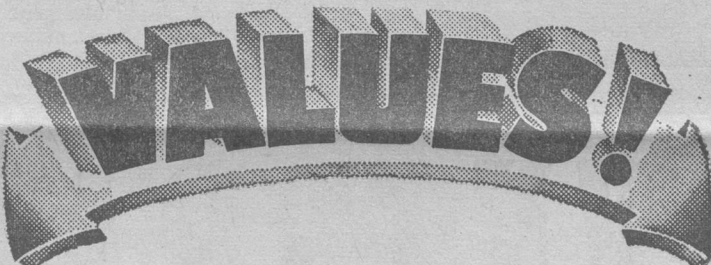
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